

# Dubbo Anglican Church

*To know Jesus and to make Him known!*

*Connect, Grow, Serve and Go!*

*To the city, the region, the nation, and the world!*

## Parish Bulletin 28 November 2021

### Welcome!

*Thank you for joining us as we worship our God and Saviour Jesus Christ! We worship on the traditional lands of the Wiradjuri people and we honour and pay our respects to elders past and present. We pray that you may know the presence of Gods Spirit as we gather together in Jesus name. We invite you to journey with us as we share the love of God, in Christ, to the city, region, nation and the world.*

### From the Rector, Advent One-HOPE

#### Advent begins!

This week we commence the season of Advent (coming). Advent holds two purposes: 1) to prepare for the remembrance of the birth of Jesus and, 2) to be reminded to prepare for His return (the second coming). The Advent wreath with candles for each week are part of this preparation. At our traditional services, we cease to sing certain parts of the liturgy/service as a sign of penitence and so that when we come to the celebration of the Christ child our celebration is even more significant with the songs and words of praise.

#### Samaritans Purse

Thank You! To all who contributed to this year's Samaritans Purse Christmas Child appeal. Through your generous donation of around \$1,000, 33 boxes were able to be sponsored so that 33 young people can receive a Christmas gift and the message of God's love in Jesus.

#### Maranatha Chapel



Maranatha is an Aramaic phrase from the Bible meaning, 'come, our Lord!' 'Chapel' refers to a place of worship in relation to a larger community - in this case the parish and Dubbo community. The chapel will be held at 4pm each alternate week (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday). It is led by some of the men from the Solomons, I do the Bible talk, and it is a service open to everyone. The format is very similar to what was our 'Westside Chapel' service, with songs, prayer, teaching, followed by a time of fellowship.

Picture: our last gathering was a great blessing!  
Brett.

Your brother in Jesus,  
Brett.

This month's mission is Bush Church Aid

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# Prayers and Readings for First Sunday of Advent

## Sentence

Stand up and raise your heads; your redemption is drawing near. Luke 21.28

## Prayer of the Day

Eternal God,  
you have taught us that the night is far spent  
and the day is at hand:  
keep us awake and alert,  
watching for your kingdom,  
and make us strong in faith,  
so that when Christ comes in glory to judge the earth,  
we may go out joyfully to greet him;  
and, with all your saints,  
may worship you for ever;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## First Reading

*A reading from Jeremiah Chapter 33, beginning at verse 14*

<sup>14</sup> “The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will fulfil the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah.

<sup>15</sup> “In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David’s line; he will do what is just and right in the land.

<sup>16</sup> In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which it will be called: The Lord Our Righteous Savior.”

Hear the Word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 25.1-10

<sup>1</sup> In you, O Lord my God, have I put my hope:  
**in you have I trusted, let me not be ashamed,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

<sup>2</sup> Let none who wait for you be put to shame:  
**but let those that break faith  
be confounded and gain nothing.**

<sup>3</sup> Show me your ways, O Lord:  
**and teach me your paths.**

<sup>4</sup> Lead me in the ways of your truth, and teach me:  
**for you are the God of my salvation.**

<sup>5</sup> In you have I hoped all the day long:  
**because of your goodness, O Lord.**

<sup>6</sup> Call to mind your compassion and your loving-kindness:

**for they are from of old.**

<sup>7</sup> Remember not the sins of my youth,  
nor my transgressions:

**but according to your mercy think on me.**

<sup>8</sup> Good and upright is the Lord:

**therefore will he direct sinners in the way.**

<sup>9</sup> The meek he will guide in the path of justice:

**and teach the humble his ways.**

<sup>10</sup> All the paths of the Lord are faithful and true:

**for those who keep his covenant and his commandments.**

### ***Second Reading***

*A reading from 1 Thessalonians Chapter 3, verses 9-13*

<sup>9</sup> How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you? <sup>10</sup> Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith. <sup>11</sup> Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you. <sup>12</sup> May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. <sup>13</sup> May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

Hear the Word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke , Chapter 21 verses 25-38*

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>25</sup> “There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. <sup>26</sup> People will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. <sup>27</sup> At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup> When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

<sup>29</sup> He told them this parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees. <sup>30</sup> When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. <sup>31</sup> Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

<sup>32</sup> “Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. <sup>33</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

<sup>34</sup> “Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap. <sup>35</sup> For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup> Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.”

<sup>37</sup> Each day Jesus was teaching at the temple, and each evening he went out to spend the night on the hill called the Mount of Olives, <sup>38</sup> and all the people came early in the morning to hear him at the temple.

For the gospel of the Lord,

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Readings for Next Sunday –5 December 2021 2nd Sunday in Advent

Malachi 3.1-14, Song of Zechariah, Philippians 1.1-11, Luke 3.1-6

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Happy Birthday to you  
To Jesus be true  
God bless you and keep you  
Your whole lifetime through!  
Birthdays this month are:

29<sup>th</sup> Sophie Marchant

30<sup>th</sup> Marion Anderson, Sue McCauley

### **Thanksgiving and Remembrance Service for loved ones**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm in  
the Church

If you know of anyone that would  
like to receive a personal invitation  
please contact Parish Office  
6884990 with their postal details.



### **Op Shop**

We are in need of volunteers in the  
Op Shop, even if its only 1 day a  
month, especially on a Friday.  
Training will be provided .  
We would love to hear from you.  
speak with Wendy in Parish Office or  
Archdeacon Brett or Rev Michelle.

### **Financial Update: October**

The impact of the COVID lockdown has been evident in our finances over the last few months and another loss (\$8477) was experienced for October. So far this year (January to October) our overall financial position is a small loss of around \$500. Parish Council would like to thank everyone for your prayers and financial support to the Parish during these times. We would also like to thank those who gave so generously the first week back, our giving was at the highest level I have seen. Our cash reserves are solid, and if we can get back to more normal conditions in November and December, we will end the year OK, praise GOD. So far, our November result looks healthy.

If anyone would like more detailed information or has any questions, please contact me: Mark Gardner, [mark.gardner@vbs.net.au](mailto:mark.gardner@vbs.net.au) or 0419 611302.

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Sunday 28 November

8 am Holy Communion  
10 am Family HC and Sunday School  
5pm Coboco

### Monday 29 November

*Psalm 69.1-16, Isaiah 49.1-9a, John 1.35-42*

### Tuesday 30 November

*Psalm 72, Isaiah 40.18-31, Mark 4.21-41*

9 am Morning Prayer – Zoom

### Wednesday 1 December

*Psalm 74, Isaiah 41.1-16, Mark 5.1-20*

9 am Morning Prayer– Zoom

### Thursday 2 December

*Psalm 77, Isaiah 41.17-29, Mark 21-43*

9 am Morning Prayer– Zoom  
10am Playgroup  
7.00pm DNA Youth Group

### Friday 3 December

*Psalm 78.16-38, Isaiah 42.1-17, Mark 6.1-13*

9 am Morning Prayer– Zoom  
10am Communion – in Good Shepherd Room  
1pm Parish Prayer Meeting – Zoom

### Saturday 4 December

*Psalm 80, Isaiah 42.18-43.13, Mark 6.14-29*

2.00pm Craft Group in Hall  
6pm Holy Communion

### Sunday 5 December

8 am Holy Communion  
10 am Family HC and Sunday School  
4pm Maranatha Chapel

## What is the Advent wreath?

- The advent wreath is the liturgical symbol of Advent.
- It is composed of four candles three purples and one pink. The color purple is a penitential color.
- Some advent wreaths have a fifth candle ( this is most common in the reformed churches).
- Each Sunday during Advent a purple candle is lit with the exception of the third Sunday of Advent when a pink candle is lit on **Gaudete Sunday** or Rejoice Sunday.



## PRAYER POINTS FOR YOUR THANKS, PRAISE & PRAYERS THIS WEEK:-

### Our Diocese and Parish and people ...Praise/thank/pray...

- **For ALL Clergy & Ministry Teams** to rest in God's assurance of His unfailing love **1 Peter 5**, "Give all your worries and cares to God, for He cares about you."
- **All Parishes & esp. Focus Parish/Areas & People – Wellington with Rev. Karl Palmer & Jenny; MAGS -Students, Staff & Parents**

### Our Parish...praise/thank/pray...

- **As God's People** – with Christ as the King of our lives & thankful that we journey in Advent in the expectancy of His coming again & His assurance of His faithfulness! **Habakkuk 3:19**, "The Sovereign Lord is my strength! He makes me as surefooted as a deer, able to tread upon the heights!"
- **Our Mission Focus, BCA** - for Greg Harris, National Director; in **Q'Ind - Cloncurry & Longreach/Barcaldine**, each without a minister; **Moranbah** – Luke & Julia Collings, **Yeppoon**, Philip & Jessica van't Spyker; **N/W NSW – Lightning Ridge** – Kurt & Rebecca Longmead, **Walgett/Collarenebri** – George & Carmel Ferguson, Barwon District Anglican Church
- **Police, Orana Mid – West Command & throughout our state esp.** – for the many & varied tasks to which they are called to address in their line of duty; that they will seek God to allay & calm stress & anxiety levels & to come to know Jesus as their Saviour & strength
- **Rev. Michelle Watterson, Police Chaplain** – for Holy Spirit to use her as a channel of Jesus' peace, love, assurance, & redemption in her ministry within this service.
- **Solomon Islands Men** – continue to pray that they will be made to feel welcome at Fletchers', in our community & esp. in our Parish family; that generous provisions of jumpers, coats, blankets etc will be donated as the men cope with the cooler temperatures of Dubbo compared to the those of their homeland
- **Maranatha Service** – for the wonderful service it was with 70 + in attendance; for all of the blessings received; for the **next service on Dec. 5**
- **North West Area Meeting, 20 Nov.** – praise/thanks for all who participated & the mutual support provided for the far flung areas of our Diocese esp. for Parishes without clergy; pray for clergy to heed the promptings of Holy Spirit to come to minister in these areas

### Further Afield...Praise/thank/pray...

- **Christian Blind Mission (CBM)** – that field workers will rely on Jesus' strength to sustain them in their work to support the extremely poor & disabled, esp. those in third world countries, & their fight against the devastating but easily prevented trachoma.; for **Dr Geoffrey Wabulem B, PNG**, who works with women with fistula & endeavours to make treatment easily & speedily accessed for them.
- **CBM IN Nepal** -thank God for CBM partners in Nepal; for their efforts & faith as they restore sight to people of all ages in very remote regions. Donate at [cbm.org.au](http://cbm.org.au)
- **Iran** – that the Billy Graham sermons with the true message of the gospel now being translated into the Farsi language, will be well received & lead to many taking Jesus as their Saviour

## ADVENT 2021



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## Bush Church Aid



**No one should go it alone in the rugged Aussie bush. Having someone to share the journey and provide encouragement and support makes all the difference.**

BCA Field Staff make Christ known across the length and breadth of our country, but they can't do it alone. Bush Church Aid's Distance Giving Program is your opportunity to walk alongside them.

The Distance Giving Program gives you the opportunity to support our Field Staff on a regular basis. You will share their journey through monthly giving, prayer, and receive special updates on how your support is making a difference. **“We are very grateful for the prayer and financial support of BCA. Your support enables people to be reached for the gospel that might not otherwise be reached. Your support also enables people to be trained in evangelism so that they can keep reaching out.” James & Brittany Daymond, Mudgee, NSW** \*By joining the Distance Giving Program you commit to financially supporting our Field Staff each month. [www.bushchurcaid.com.au/content/distance-giving-program/gjtdgw](http://www.bushchurcaid.com.au/content/distance-giving-program/gjtdgw)

*Please pray for those who have asked for our Prayers*

Brian Lovemore  
Jessica Slavin  
Nena Stevens  
Bill Fisher  
Amanda Gorton  
Colin Fitzell  
Sarah Dunn  
Jo Fraser  
John Tickle  
Jan Gorrell  
Betty Shuttle  
Gloria Shipp

Brian Semmler  
Leane Flynn  
Kay Parker  
Ian Henderson  
Leigh Pearse  
Wendy Holland  
John Gaff  
Leah McDonald  
Philip Payne  
Bishop Arthur Malcolm  
Steve Honey  
John Emmett

James Holden  
Tracie Walsh  
Shirley White  
Brian Trethowan  
John Lloyd  
Janey Brown  
Doug McMahon  
Vicky Ottley  
Scott Monaghan  
Jenni Mitchell  
Keith & Elizabeth Job  
Judy Emmett

*Pray for those mourning the loss of loved ones: Keith Richards*

*Those Remembering the Anniversaries of Bishop Graham Walden, John Bayley, Ronald Starr, Keith Gardiner, Michael Egan, Beres Dohnt, Mary Semmler.*

*Please let the church office know of any changes to above prayer list.*

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